

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1389

January Session, 2007

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## AN ACT CONCERNING THE TOLLING OF THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR A NEGLIGENCE ACTION BY A MINOR.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 52-584 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):
- 3 (a) No action to recover damages for injury to the person, or to real 4 or personal property, caused by negligence, or by reckless or wanton 5 misconduct, or by malpractice of a physician, surgeon, dentist,
- 6 podiatrist, chiropractor, hospital or sanatorium, shall be brought but
- 7 within two years from the date when the injury is first sustained or
- 8 discovered or in the exercise of reasonable care should have been
- 9 discovered, and except that no such action may be brought more than
- 10 three years from the date of the act or omission complained of, except
- 11 that a counterclaim may be interposed in any such action any time
- before the pleadings in such action are finally closed.
- 13 (b) Notwithstanding the time limitation to bring an action under
- subsection (a) of this section, if a person entitled to bring such an
- 15 action, other than for the recovery of real property or a penalty or
- 16 <u>forfeiture, is unable to bring such action because such person is under</u>
- 17 <u>eighteen years of age on the date the cause of action accrued, such</u>
- 18 person may bring such action within one year from the date such
- 19 person attains eighteen years of age, except that no such action may be

- 20 brought more than eight years from the date of the act or omission
- 21 <u>complained of.</u>

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2007	52-584

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